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OFFICIAL BALLOT AND SAMPLE BALLOT BOOKLET INFORMATION AND DEADLINE APPROACHING TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR THE SAN MARINO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL PARCEL TAX ELECTION

Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan reported that the mailing to voters of official Vote by Mail ballots and sample ballot booklets for the May 5, 2009 San Marino Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election began on Monday, April 6. This election is being conducted as a Vote by Mail Election. All eligible registered voters in the district will automatically be mailed Official Vote by Mail ballots and sample ballot booklets.

"The sample ballot booklets contain important information and instructions for voters to properly vote and return their Vote by Mail ballot," said Logan. In order for their vote to be counted, voters must return their ballots by mail with sufficient time for delivery to the RR/CC by 8 p.m. on May 5 (postmarks are not acceptable), or in person to the RR/CC's Office no later than 8 p.m. on May 5th. If a voter is unable to return his/her ballot in person, the voter may authorize a designated family member to return the voted ballot to the RR/CC in accordance with the procedures outlined on the Vote by Mail ballot return envelope.

Voters who misplace or damage their official Vote by Mail ballot and/or sample ballot booklet can contact the RR/CC, Vote by Mail Section, at (562) 466-1323. Voters may also access the sample ballot contents interactively on the RR/CC website www.lavote.net and clicking View Sample Ballot in the Online Services box of the main page.

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Logan also reminded residents in the school district that the voter registration deadline for the May 5th Election is Monday, April 20th. Individuals who wish to register must be at least 18 years of age by Election Day, a U.S. Citizen, and not in prison or on parole for conviction of a felony. To be eligible to vote in the May 5th Election, voters must also reside within the San Marino School District. An individual needs to re-register to vote if he/she has permanently moved to a different address, changed his/her name, or wishes to change his/her political party affiliation.

Voter registration forms are readily available at over 1,240 locations across the county – including Department of Motor Vehicles offices, libraries, fire stations, post offices and City Clerk offices. An online voter registration form is also available at the RR/CC website www.lavote.net by clicking on the Secretary of State link found under Resources on the main page or by calling the Voter Registration Request Line - (800) 481-VOTE (8683).

Registration status may be checked online at www.lavote.net by clicking the *Voter Registration*Status button on the main page or by calling the RR/CC at (562) 466-1310 or (562) 466-1323.

Further details about these services and other valuable election information can be found on the RR/CC website at www.lavote.net.

Persons requiring multilingual assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino, or Vietnamese, can call (800) 481-8683.

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